

The Whole Truth

"The law of truth was in his mouth and iniquity was not found in his mouth, Mal. 2:6. "Ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free." John 8:32.

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BISHOP J. A. BLAKE
THE NINTH PENTECOSTAL WORLD CONFERENCE
DALLAS, TEXAS, U.S.A.
NOVEMBER 3-8, 1970
THEME: THE SPREADING FLAME OF PENTECOST
CONFERENCE MESSAGE DELIVERED BY BISHOP J. A. BLAKE
NOVEMBER 5, 1970
PENTECOSTAL FIRE: IT SHALL NEVER GO OUT!

INTRODUCTION:

Greetings to you, my brethren of the Ninth Pentecostal World Conference. We are grateful to God for allowing us to partake of the spreading flame of Pentecost. I bring you greetings, also, from the brethren of the Church of God in Christ, Inc., headquartered in Memphis, Tennessee, with J. O. Patterson, presiding Bishop.

We were organized in 1907 under the leadership of the late Bishop Charles Harrison Mason. After receiving the Holy Ghost in 1906 at Azusa Street in Los Angeles, California, Bishop Mason was persecuted and jailed in many places for his preaching of Pentecost as a present-day experience for all true believers.

God saved and filled me with the Holy Ghost in 1924, in a place about two hundred miles from Dallas. And, today, after forty-six years of walking with the Lord, the flame of Pentecost yet burns within my heart.

Prayer: "O, God, speak to our hearts out of Thy Word, We ask it in Jesus' name. Amen."

As we consider the subject assigned for this hour, we are reminded of the early chapters of Leviticus. These chapters describe the consecration of the first priests and the institution of sacrificial worship in the newly completed Tabernacle. After the priests were consecrated and anointed, Moses sent them into the Tabernacle for seven days of separation and consecration unto God. On the ninth day following their consecration, the priests came forth to offer sacrifices for themselves and for the people. While these sacrifices were burning upon the altar, Moses and Aaron came forth to bless the people. At this time the glory of the Lord appeared and His presence was manifested by fire.

"And there came a fire out from before the Lord, and consumed upon the altar the burnt offering and the fat: which when all people saw, they shouted, and fell on their faces" (Leviticus 9:24).

Although, before this time, fire had been kindled upon the altar; this fire from heaven, this fire of God's presence, sanctified, consecrated and imparted its nature to the fire upon the altar. Thus, we see the reason for God's commandment in Leviticus 6:13 "The fire shall ever be burning upon the altar; it shall never go out."

This ever-burning fire symbolized God's presence, His power, His purity and His holiness. It symbolized God's role as Judge and Refiner of His people; further, this fire symbolized the continual worship of the people of God and their dying zeal to do His will. God had sent the fire; but He commanded them to keep it burning.

This event has much in common with the occurrences which surrounded the advent of the Holy Ghost. For as this fire "from before the Lord" came early in the dispensation of the Law, Pentecostal Fire came early in the dispensation of Grace.

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FROM THE DESK OF THE PRESIDING BISHOP

Holy greetings to all of my brothers and sisters in the Lord, who constitutes the big sanctified family of the Church of God in Christ.

Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth.

Throughout the brotherhood God is giving us a mighty outpouring of his spirit, healing and delivering his elects who are crying to him day and night. My soul is truly anchored in the goodness of God and I shall not be moved, though the host of hell assails God's grace shall not fail. Thank you Lord.

Saints it is high time for us to be watchful and given to fasting and praying because the days are evil. The devil knows his time is running out because our blessed Lord is soon to come for his holy Church, an he (the devil) is like a roaring hungry lion, seeking whom he may devour. Be thou strong and of good courage, he that is in you is greater than he that is in the world.

My soul rejoiceth in the many giant steps toward progress our church has taken during the last short two years. I do not view our church as being perfect or having attained all of its objectives, but this one thing we should do; forget and stop reminding ourselves of our past mistakes and failures, and continue to go forward "Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ: That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive. . .

BOARD OF BISHOPS, you have AN opportunity to render a great and needful service to Christ and his Church, by seeing to each and every Bishop complying with the holy Scripture that says "This is a true saying, If a man desire the office of a bishop, he desireth a good work. A bishop then must be blameless, the husband of one wife, vigilant, sober, of good behaviour, given to hospitality, apt to teach; Not given to wine, no striker, not greedy of filthy lucre; but patient, not a brawler, not covetous; One that ruleth well his own house, having his children in subjection with all gravity; (For if a man know not how to rule his own house, how shall he take care of the church of God?) Not a novice, lest being lifted up with pride he fall into the condemnation of the devil. Moreover he must have a good report of them which are without; lest he fall into reproach and the snare of the devil". You can also help by insisting that EACH AND EVERY Bishop furnishing the office of the general Secretary annually with an updated ministerial roll. We can not give our church a full detailed financial report, without your support. And if this is not done regardless of how honest we may be it creates suspicion and distrust. You are also required to submit a typewritten itemized report of the finances received from EACH CHURCH, as illustrated in "EXHIBIT A" This is a must so each church may be properly credited. It will also justify the faith and confidence vested in us by the pastors of our jurisdictions when they see we have remitted the full amount of their report.

AUXILIARY AND DEPARTMENTAL LEADERS, We have employed a certified public accountant. This is a normal business procedure but our purpose will be defeated and

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money ill-spent if the accountant can't have your co-operation. The requirements for the bookkeeping of each department or auxiliary is described in "EXHIBIT B". Please remember our fiscal year begins October the first and ends September the thirtieth. This means that every penny handled through your department from October 1, 1970 to September 30, 1971 must be accounted for to the general assembly, as prescribed by the accountant. I particularly want you to note that you MUST have a bank account properly styled and ALL monies received properly deposited and ALL bills, salaries and other expenses paid by check. Your record must be submitted to our National Accountant in Memphis immediately after September 30, 1971 so they may be audited, certified and printed for distribution during the forthcoming Convocation.

"EXHIBIT C" reflects the amount of each jurisdictional annual Quota. Pastors and members please help your Bishop reach his Quota. Our National Church is doing a magnificent job operating its Saints Academy and College, The Charles Harrison Mason Theological Seminary, its foreign mission department, maintaining its multi-million dollar headquarters, giving scholarships to deserving students, helping our sister Churches on limited basis and many other things with the small amount received from our present Quota System.

DEAR PASTORS, let us be kind and tenderhearted toward each other. Let us be real sincere Holiness preachers not for the praise of men or for money, but for the salvation of dying lost souls. Please allow me to be an example to you as a pastor. I assure you if you do right, preach God's unadulterated word, use God's tithes and offerings as prescribed by the bible, you will not need to resort to any gimmicks. God will bless you and your people.

Finally let us be at peace among ourselves. Our members are watching us, let us lead them into paths of peace, love and righteousness. We can not be spiritual minded, feuding, biting and devouring. Whatsoever our Church's needs are we must resolve them around the table of love and Brotherhood in our general assembly, within the framework of our organization. I have no fear for the existence of God's Church, "The gates of hell shall not prevail."

God bless you richly,
J. O. Patterson, Presiding Bishop
Church of God in Christ

E X H I B I T A.

YEAR 1971		CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST, INC. 930 MASON STREET MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE 38126 NATIONAL JURISDICTIONAL FINANCIAL SUMMARY	
STATE OF Tennessee	JURISDICTION	Second	
STATE BISHOP A. King			
ADDRESS Re. 1 Box 179	City War	Tennessee	ZIP CODE 37183
STATE MOTHER Fannie Page	STATE SECRETARY	Eld. D. Derrickson	
Dear Bishop:			
This form is to be completed as the official financial report of your State, and turned in to, with your individual church reports, our National Headquarters, so that your jurisdiction will be correctly credited for the total amount of your report, which will appear in our National Financial Statements.			
NAME OF CHURCH	NAME OF PASTOR	AMOUNT OF REPORT	
1. Rock Temple	Eld. J. E. Poindexter	\$150.00	
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State Secretary	Grand Total \$500.00		

E X H I B I T B.CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST, INC. -- MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE
MINIMUM ACCEPTABLE ACCOUNTING PROCEDURES

GENERAL

- 1. Each department must keep and maintain the following:
 - a. A personalized and prenumbered checkbook. This should be styled: "Church of God in Christ, Inc.", followed by the name of department.
 - b. A personalized and prenumbered receipt book in duplicate. This should be styled: "Church of God in Christ, Inc." followed by the name of the department.
 - c. A journal (day book) with appropriate columns to record various disbursement categories.
 - d. A journal (day book) with appropriate columns to record various receipt categories.
- 2. Each department must maintain a bank account in the name of the department for transactions of that department only.
- 3. A statement, along with cancelled checks, should be obtained from the bank, monthly. Deposits appearing on bank statement should be compared with deposit slips; each cancelled check should be compared with the amount appearing on bank statement after you make sure the checks received with the statement were written by you. If there are differences contact the bank.
- 4. All cancelled checks received with a bank statement should remain with the monthly statement.
- 5. In case a check, which has been receipted and deposited, is returned by the bank for some reason, immediately contact the person from whom you received the check to make same good. Hold the check until it is replaced by another or, if instructed, run it through your bank again. Do not issue another receipt for this check.

RECEIPTS

1. Receipts must be recorded in receipt book, daily, as received with appropriate detail of cash/or checks, the amount of each and a description of the transaction. The original copy of the receipt should be given to the donor for any money (or check) received. In case a receipt is voided, both original and duplicate must be kept in receipt book.
2. Receipts must be deposited promptly, intact in bank; checks made payable to a department must not be cashed; they must be deposited.
3. A duplicate of deposit slip, validated by bank, should be kept. This duplicate should contain an itemized list of checks deposited.

DISBURSEMENTS

1. Disbursements must be made by checks and should be supported by appropriate invoices or minutes.
2. Checks should not be made payable to "Cash". A check payable to a person who handles a fund or to his close associate must, under all circumstances, be substantiated by other documents.
3. Checks should be dated on the day written and the stubs of same should be completed, indicating the specific description of the transaction. A notation, "for services rendered" or any other "general" description is not satisfactory. In case there are deductions from accounts due payee, same should be indicated on stub.
4. "Voided" checks must be kept in checkbook.

BISHOP C. E. BENNETT
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BISHOP D. A. BURTON
General Secretary

BISHOP J. O. MASON,
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MR. JESSE TURNER,
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ANNOUNCING

Along with other major publishers, we are changing the schedule for all of our Sunday School material and related helps. The Fall Quarter will begin in September, instead of October, as in the past.

FALL Quarter: September, October, November
WINTER Quarter: December, January,

February
SPRING Quarter: March, April, May
SUMMER Quarter: June, July, August

All yearly commentaries for 1970 will be for eight months.
This change will also apply to the Y.P.W.W. material
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NOTICE! NOTICE!

Beloved Bishops, State Supervisors, pastors, ministers and missionaries, leaders of the church, as requested by our Presiding Bishop we are sending to all who are on the roll, whether or not you are a subscriber to the official organ of the church or not. If you are not a subscriber, this issue is sent as a compliment of the Presiding Bishop, editor and your Publishing House.

The Whole Truth is the official organ of the church and carries all important facts concerning the National and much of your local news. All pertinent matters from your International Headquarters also foreign news of your organization.

You are urged to send in your subscription that you may receive this news each month.

Subscription rates are two dollars (\$2.00) per year, payable in advance by money order.

Each pastor should also see that the paper is circulated in his local church.

EXHIBIT C.

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New Mexico
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Missouri E. & III. Western
Missouri S.E. & III West. No. 2
West No. 2
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Upper Manhattan
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New York-Western No. 1
New York-Western No. 2
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North Carolina No. 2
Ohio-Northern
Ohio-Southern
Ohio-Northwest
Oklahoma-Northwest
Oklahoma-Southeast
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Oregon No. 2
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Pennsylvania-Eastern
Pennsylvania-Western
Rhode Island
South Carolina- Northern
South Dakota
Tennessee-First
Tennessee-Second
Texas-Northeast
Texas-Northwest
Texas-South Central
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Church News

MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE

Greetings to the saints of God everywhere.

We the members of the Pentecostal Evangelist Church of God in Christ are very thankful for the wonderful Jesus Man that God has given us, Elder. T. R. Burnett.

On the fourth (4th) Sunday in October, 1970 we celebrated eight (8) years that our pastor has been with us. It was not only his anniversary, but the anniversary of "seventeen" (17) young people whom were saved last year on his 7th anniversary. They were in the streets giving up to God.

During the past summer, Elder Burnett held a Miracle Tent Revival. Saints it was a miracle revival. During the second week of the tent, on a Thursday night Elder Burnett said that God had given him that, this particularly night was somebody's night to be healed. Before he called the prayer line he announced before the audience that since "God" said it was someone's night to be healed, that if someone Did Not get healed "the tent was coming down right then, his Ministry would end". Saints God's will must be done; a man about 80 years of age come out of the audience in the prayer line, he had, had a stroke for thirteen "13" years. Saints he was Healed. When he came up to the line he was on a cane, he was bent over with a hump in his back seemingly as kyphosis but it was a stroke. Saints that man was reborn. He left that tent a new man, no cane, he bent to the ground, standing tall and straight, he twisted, squatted in every direction possible. It was a "Miracle of God". He and Elder Burnett are in the 63rd Annual Convocation Souvenir Book under the Miracle Tent. Uncle Tallae is a witness that there is nothing impossible for God. He knows that a miracle was done on him, he said that he felt as if his insides were remade. Elder T. R. Burnett is a "Jesus Man". He was giving up his ministry to do the will of God.

Elder Burnett has a dial a prayer which anyone can call when sick, burden and depressed. This prayer is just like him being in your presence, placing his anointing through God upon you. We thank God for Elder T. R. Burnett who desires a "FREE" prayer cloth may write to Elder Burnett at P.O. Box 9311, Memphis, Tennessee 38109. Send a self addressed stamped envelope.

Elder T.R. Burnett —Pastor

Jacqueline Davis-Reporter

TESTIMONY

MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN

To the saints everywhere. May God bless you as you read this testimony. This is what God showed me in September 1968.

I was asleep and the power of God quicken my body and awaken me. I thought within myself, how good it is to be

awakened by the Lord. At this time a vision appeared before me of a float. On this float sat a woman and this woman was Sister Patterson. I called her by first name Debora and laughed and tried to go back to sleep. The vision appeared again at this time it was a larger one and decorated. She was sitting there smiling and a deep tone of sound came out. This is the first lady of the land. I have respect unto Bishop Mason though he is dead. I don't want his blood to leave the throne as yet. As, I begin to doubt whether this was God or not. For all I saw was a woman and this big float with Sister Patterson on it. I wondered how can she be on the throne, a woman. He knew my heart. He can see everything in us. But he said, her husband will take her there. He was as his own son to Bishop Mason. At this the room was filled with the glory of God. I was happy I wanted to call him and them tell him what God had said to me. Tell him not to draw back, if it be God it will be just like he showed you. As soon as I arrived in Memphis I said honey I want to get this off my chest. Please let me call the Pattersons and tell them what the Lord said. Alright he said. Go ahead and call I just don't want you to get hurt in this. You are my wife. But now we all can see God, d them to come to the leadership of the church at this time. With the backing of our great assistants and our National Boards of Bishops, and our foundering Mothers as Dr. A.L. Bailey and Dr. A.C. Mallory. God had material things, he wanted this church to have spiritual and natural.

We are truly on our way to the New Horizons for a bigger and greater Church of God in Christ.

Mother W.L. Morris, Southern Wis.

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Order your Album on the 62nd Annual Official Services of the Holy Convocation of Bishop Patterson's address. The Albums sales for \$4.00 plus postage.

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FRESNO, CALIFORNIA

Greetings to the saints of God everywhere from the New Hope Church of God in Christ.

We are praising and thanking God for his wonderful blessings. He has done great things for us. We can say like David: What shall I render unto the Lord for all his benefits toward me. Truly the Lord has blessed us through the year of 1970.

The Lord gave our pastor a Continue on Page 4

Church News

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NEW HOPE COGIC

vision to build a house of worship, all the saints are working together and I thank God for it.

The saints are sweet when they can work together in love, because we are the salt of the earth and the light of the world. Matt. 9:37, "Then said he unto His disciples the harvest truly is plenteous but the laborers are few."

Let us pray everywhere that the Lord will send in more to work for souls. That is why the Lord said look out on the fields, souls are dying everyday in their sin.

God will give us victory over every demon if we let the church live within us. Eph. 1:18, The eyes of your understanding being enlightened that ye may know what is the hope of his calling, and what the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the saints.

We thank God that we have some wonderful Elders in our church. We thank God for Christmas and the Christ Child that was born to save us from our sins.

Sister Myrtle Tatym and Sister Eliza Pickens were blessed to tour the "Holy Land" and stood on the very spot where Jesus was born in Bethlehem.

Pray for us and we pray for you.

Elder J. Wheeler Pastor

Sister Eliza Pickens Reporter

TESTIMONY

GARY, IND.

On September 1, 1970 the Lord saved me. The Lord awoke me about 4:45 in the morning, I was giving thanks to the Lord for saving me. All my children that was sleeping upstairs came running in my room, mother what's wrong! My mother Sister C. Larry came from downstairs asking what is wrong, at the time I was still thanking the Lord for saving me. But the children nor my mother didn't know that the Lord had come into my soul and I was just glad about it. And then on the 2nd Sunday of that same month he fell on me with the Holy Ghost and I spoke in tongues as the spirit gave me utterance. And now I am a member of the Church of God in

Christ at 1217 West 25th avenue. Elder Lowell King Sr., Pastor.

Sister Elvira Barnes

AVON PARK, FLORIDA

I will bless the Lord at all time, his praise shall continually be in my mouth, Psalms 34:1.

We the saints of the Antioch Temple Church of God in Christ bring you greetings in the name of Jesus our soon coming King. The Lord is blessing through our Pastor, and superintendent Elder Clarence Black. His wife is also

very encouraging. The pastor has the gift of healing, and from time to time many people are healed.

One of our own Missionary Nancy Collins sons was stricken with tuberculosis. There were three spots on his lungs. The boy wanted Elder Black to pray for him, and he did. Afterwards they took him back to the doctor, he gave him another X-ray, and they couldn't find anything. Thank the Lord Amen, Praise His Holy name, I find no fault in him. Thats what Pilate said that day, and I find no fault in him. Charles testified saying Thank you God for the world so sweet, Thank you God for the food we eat, Thank you God for the birds that sing Thank you God for everything. He is only six years old. We have a new convert, our own sister Mary Kerney, God adds to the Church daily, Such as should be saved Amen. We were blessed to have in our midst Evangelist R.B. Evans of Canton, Ohio. December 20, 1970.

continually to pray for us.

Sister Sara Nelson—reporter

Sister Mary Kerney—Asst. reporter

Superintendent Clarence Black—Pastor

PASADENA, CALIFORNIA

"And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand." John 10:28.

Holy greeting to all the saints everywhere. We the saints of Mt. Sinai Church of God in Christ, at Pomona. We thank God for our pastor and Supt. P. Thomas and his lovely wife, Missionary Jessie Thomas who works so faithful with the women departments in the church.

Evangelist Leroy McRoy, was guest speaker Sunday morning, he taught the adult class and revived the General Sunday School. All enjoyed him.

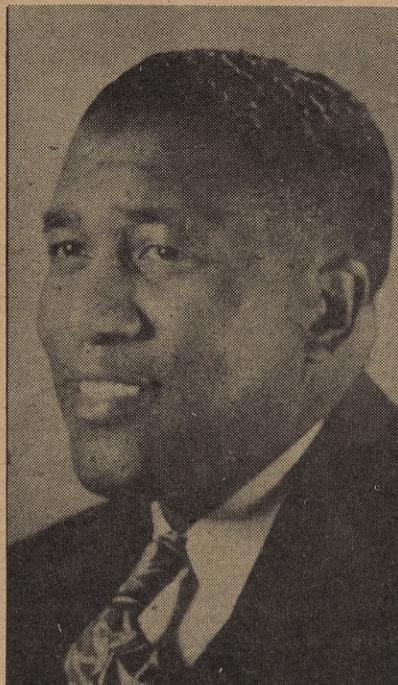
The members of the Devine Guidance Church of God in Christ gave their pastor Elder David Hearon a surprise birthday dinner in the beautiful home of Sister Eliza Willis. The fellowship was marvelous. Elder Hearon's wife was hostess.

Holy greetings from the Holy Assembly saints and their pastor Elder L.F. Catley and his lovely wife who is the Trinity District Missionary. Missionary Bertha Catley is during a wonderful work, God is blessing.

Elder James Stovall, Sr. from Rome, N.Y. was guest speaker Sunday Morning. He spoke from Heb. 11:5-6, Hosea 10:12, all enjoyed him.

"For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved." Romans 10:13.

Sister Dean Mitchell—Reporter



IN MEMORY

BISHOP W.L. MORRIS STATE BISHOP OF WISCONSIN SOUTHEAST

Bishop Morris served many years faithfully both state and nationally in the Church of God in Christ.

He pioneered as chairman of the concessions of the National Convocation. Before coming State Bishop of Wisconsin he pioneered the Youth Department of the state as State President.

He was pioneer overseer of North Dakota. He loved the Church of God in Christ and was an ardent follower of the founder Bishop Charles H. Mason. He has been failing in health for several years. Despite his feebleness he attended the 1970 International Convocation.

He leaves a devoted wife. Who proved faithful until the end.

"The pains of death are past Labor and sorrow cease and life's long warfare closed at last His soul is found in peace."



IN MEMORY OF OUR BELOVED Bishop Jesse Douglas Smith

Who departed this life December 17, 1970

Bishop Smith was a faithful servant of God. He evangelized in many states throughout the Church of God in Christ.

During the later years of his ministry, he served daily with Bishop S.M. Crouch at the prayer services at Crouch's Temple, Los Angeles, California.

He wrote many books on Faith, Hope and Deliverance.

"Hast thou known? Hast thou not heard that the God giveth power to the faint; and to them that have no might he increaseth strength. Even the youths shall faint and be weary, and the young men shall utterly fall: But they that wait upon the Lord

shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint." Isa. 40: 28-31.

From this text Bishop Smith delivered his last message of hope, at the Prayer Tower, Crouch's Temple.

MEMORIAL

In memorial of the late, Elder C.H. Stevens, who departed this life nine years ago, quietly in his home.

Elder C.H. Stevens who was the founder and pastor of Steven's Temple Church of God in Christ 904 Bogel St., Dallas, Texas. One who labored and suffered in this church as long as he was able to go, But God in his all wisdom call him home to rest. He was well known through the Nation as a gospel singer, his singing has warmed the hearts of many across the nation, those songs of zion will linger in our hearts.

May I say beside every great man there is a faithful wife. Sister Stevens one who have gone through much suffering for the sake of her husband and the church. She always have a word of encouragements for the members.

Elder Stevens had many friends and he was love by all, but we know if we keep the faith we shall meet him in that sweet beyond.

Sadly missed by wife and family, his son an Evangelist Minister W.G. Stevens, daughter, grandchildren, and members of Steven Temple Church of God in Christ.

Humbly sumitted by Sis. C.H. Stevens

Beloved I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth, IIIJohn 2

Holy Greetings to our Presiding Bishop and to the Saints of God everywhere. We the Saints of the Friendly Church of God in Christ are yet rejoicing over in the Holy Ghost, and thanking God for His choice Blessings He bestowed upon us.

We are very elated to say that the presence of the Lord was greatly felt in the ten day Christmas Revival conducted by our own State Evangelist Elder John H. Turner. He preached some DYNAMITE—SOUL STIRRING MESSAGES, such as; Blood Power—Awake and put on Strength—Lost and found—THE LORD'S PRAYERS—The Great Commandment "LOVE". Our souls were stirred to keep on—keeping on in the Lord. Elder John H. Turner we thank you and may God ever Bless your Evangelistic work.

Bro. Melvin J. Williams, reporter

Bishop C.D. Williams, Pastor, State Bishop Anchorage, Alaska

The Rev. L.V. Stitt, pastor of Faith Temple Church of God in Christ, 1162 Lincoln Street, Topeka, Kansas, was honored at a birthday dinner, October 31, 1970, celebrating his birthday, which is November 5. The dinner was held at the church, beginning at 7:30 P.M.

A brief program was presented by the several auxiliaries and organizations of the church commemoration the pastor of this festive occasion.

The out-of-city guest included: Rev. and Mrs. Walter Jefferies, Kansas City, Kansas, Mr & Mrs. Donald Smith, Wichita, Kansas, Mrs. Julia Gilbert, Kansas City, Kansas, Mrs. Richard Steele, Cleveland, Ohio, Mrs. Bonnie Eldridge, Wichita, Kansas, Mrs. Elisha Miles, Wichita, Kansas, Mr. and Mrs Roberson, Kansas City, Kansas, Rev. E.J. Lewis, Rochester, N.Y.; and Rev. Calvin Smith, Flint, Michigan.

Numerous in-city guests and visitors also attended this most spiritual and natural feast.

EPHESIAN C.O.G.I.C. BERKELEY CALIFORNIA

Oh, magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt his name together. Psalms: 34:3

We greet you in the Holy Name of Jesus from Ephesian COGIC - North, 1709 Alcatraz Ave, Berkeley, California. Bishop E.E. Cleveland is our pastor. God is blessing us here abundantly, and our hearts are ever grateful to Him for it.

The W. R. Portee World Outreach Crusade just closed a three week revival here, in which God poured out His Spirit in a mighty way. Many came to Berkeley from other areas of Northern Calif. seeking a blessing from God. Through this anointed man of God, God healed, delivered, and set free. Evangelist Portee designated the last Saturday night of the crusade "Double-Portion Anointing Night," in which he drew an imaginary line on the aisle and decreed who-so-ever step over this line receive his or her double portion of God's Spirit. Truly, our souls were blessed and we are stirred to do a greater work for God. We thank God for this soul stirring, Holy-Ghost Revival.

God has given us a half-hour television service, appearing on KUDO-TV, Channel 38 each Sunday from 5:30 til 6:00. In this way, our pastor, Bishop E.E. Cleveland, can go into thousands of homes each week, bringing the message of Salvation. The outreach of the telecast includes the Monterey Valley area as well as the San Francisco Bay area. Thank God for His goodness!

Pray for us.

Bishop E.E. Cleveland, Pastor
Elder Joe King, Ass't pastor
Sister Marcella Scruggs, Reporter

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BELLEVILLE, MICHIGAN

Holy Greetings in the Name of the Lord.

The Dunn Road Church of God in Christ Saints of Sumpter Township Belleville, Michigan salute you.

We are at the end of phase one of our new church construction program. Phase one dealt with the architectural plans and financial program.

The major portion of the finance will come from the selling of Church Bonds. The Church Bonds will go on sell Nov. 29, 1970 they are in denomination of \$100, \$250, and \$500 at eight per cent interest, with maturity dates every six months, from the first six months up to fourteen and a half years.

We are asking all of our brothers and sisters to buy a bond or bonds; our program depend on the support of the saints. If a bond is not possible a donation for the Lord's work in this part of the vineyard will be appreciated.

Please pray for us that hearts will be touched by God for this Great need in this part of the Lord's Harvest.

Elder G. Paylor, Pastor
Elder Richard Paylor, Assistant
25166 Karr Road
Belleville, Michigan 48111

MARION, INDIANA
Holy greetings in the name of Jesus.

A few weeks after sending a report, about how we of New Bethany Church of God in Christ was doing, our church was fire bombed. It was around two in the morning, when one of our members received the news, that our church was on fire, she called our pastor Elder Milton Hall, within 15 minutes he was on his way with his young son accomplishing him, not thinking of the danger they could be in, to see what could be done. Being so early in the morning he return to Kokomo later in the same day to contact each of the members to go down to the church to see what could be gotten out usable. We looked up and there were other members of Kokomo coming to help, truly the people of the Church of God in Christ have a wonderful spirit. The church as a whole will stand.

Two young people Elder Glenn and wife commented, we came to help thinking that the church was just smoked up, not knowing that the church was at a total lost. It really made us feel that we are together as one. The young people are really the future of the church. We are very sad about our church but Elder M. Hall is letting us know the church is within and we carry on. Elder Lindsey has been very kind in opening his doors to us. Elder Hall letting us know we will share the expenses. Still our pastor does not stop there, he has missed days of work to come to Marion, to find us a place to worship. His wife standing by his side, not saying much, we find, Missionary R. Hall to be more of a praying person than a talking one, which makes a good pastor's wife, but can speak at the right time. Any help we can receive, your prayers, money

support, would be received prayerfully to be used to the glory of God. Knowing that God's word tells us in Romans 8:28 and we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are called according to his purpose, and this we must stand on in times like these.

Yours in Christ,
Elder Milton L. Hall Pastor
Missionary Pauline Parcher
Reporter

BALTIMORE, MARYLAND
Central Maryland Jurisdiction
C.O.G.I.C.

Holy greetings to the saints of God everywhere. Central Maryland is on the move. God is marvelously blessing our state thru the leadership of our Bishop. Thank God for Bishop Doswell. He is leading us on from victory unto victory.

The Lord poured out his blessings on us in our 4th Annual Holy Convocation, which convened on August 18-27, 1970. Many souls were refreshed, saved and filled with the Holy Ghost during this great meeting. The presence of the Lord was great in each session.

Official Day Bishop brought forth a soul stirring message. Subject: "The Necessity of a Revival". Holy Communion was served during our evening worship.

We were honored with the presence of Dr. Chandler Owens, International Youth President (who brought the evening message Monday August 24th), and Elder Jeff Bank from the State of New Jersey. Women's Day under the leadership of Chairlady Ruby Rogers was most inspiring. God spoke thru many of our missionaries.

On Monday night following the close of the Convocation Twenty-one souls were baptized.

Sunday afternoon, September 13, 1970 Dedication Service for Refuge Temple C.O.G.I.C. Pastored by Elder Walter E. Nelson was held at 3: PM Bishop Doswell brought the dedicatory sermon. Among out of town guest were Supt. & Mrs. Covington along with a bus load of his people from Brooklyn N.Y.

Pray for us.
Bishop James I. Doswell
State Bishop
Mrs. Nettie M. Higgins
Reporter

POCTELLO, IDAHO

St. Joseph Church of God in Christ, greets the saints of God everywhere. We the saints of St. Joseph Church of God in Christ are thanking God for his saving and keeping power. Its a blessing to be alive and a greater blessing to be able to testify to a save life in Christ Jesus. Pray for us,

Bishop J. S. Hall our pastor a truly fine and God sent man, who has labored here in the state of Idaho for eleven years. The members gave him and his wife

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their first anniversary October 20-25, 1970.

We are truly happy to have Bishop J. S. Hall for a pastor. One who we truly can depend on. I must say our pastor took Jesus at his word when he said go in my vineyard and work. Looking to our savior Jesus Christ for a great reward. We had a glorious time in the anniversary. Bishop Givens and his members came from Salt Lake City, Utah to help us celebrate our pastor and wife first anniversary. We truly enjoyed them and the message that Bishop Givens brought.

Dearly beloved ones we are a faithful few laboring here in Idaho for Christ and in need of help, so if anyone truly wants to work for Christ come over here. The Harvest truly is plentious but the laborers are few. We are asking you for your prayers that God will send us more laborers. You may call 233-0457. Bishop J. S. Hall, or write Elder Isaac P. Yipson 630 East Lander, Pocatello, Idaho 83201.

Bishop J. S. Hall Pastor
Elder I.P. Yipson Ass't pastor
Sister Bessie Mae Yipson
Reporter

HOLY TEMPLE C.O.G.I.C.
SPOKANE, WASHINGTON

O magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt his name together. Greetings to the Saints of God everywhere. Truly we, the membership of Holy Temple Church of God in Christ, do greatly magnify the Lord for the out pour of His spirit in our midst. The Lord is presently doing great things for us, surely we are glad.

On the fourth Sunday morning of November, our Pastor, Bishop T.J. Kinlow of the Washington Jurisdiction, charged with the spirit and the anointing of God brought forth the soul stirring message from Jeremiah 31:4, 13 and 1 Peter 2:1-5. Using for a thought, "Build Me Again". The effects of which was so great that such a quietness came about, he felt he was not reaching us but God was working within each one seemingly individually.

After this the Saints and families gathered together in the church dining room and had a wonderful fellowship dinner to welcome home the pastor and wife from the National Convocation. In this there were great peace and oneness. Eld. and Sis. Solomon of Zion Temple Church of God In Christ came to be with us. Miss Jackie Fox, a friend to Bishop Kinlow and wife and the Church, baked and decorated a beautiful special cake for the occasion.

On Sunday night the power of God fell during Testimonial Service. Seemingly everyone was touched by the presence of the Almighty. The young and the old rejoiced together in the refreshing out pour in the Holy Ghost. We are looking to the Lord to go on from glory to glory in the spirit and praises of the Lord. Do pray our strength in Him.

Sis. V.H. Noble, Reporter



61st wedding anniversary

TWO ANNIVERSARIES will be celebrated at the Tracy Temple of the Church of God in Christ at 87 W. Third Street Sunday—the 21st anniversary of the church and the 61st wedding anniversary of the pastor and his wife, Rev. and Mrs. A. D. Carter. Sunday's program will climax several days of celebration, which started with special services Wednesday and Thursday nights. Tonight another service is scheduled at 8:30 and on Sunday, a turkey dinner will be served from 1:30 to 2:30, followed by a worship service.

JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA

Holy greetings to the saints of God everywhere from the Church of God in Christ No. 4, Elder W. F. Faust pastor and Supt. of the Jacksonville District.

We thank God for his many blessings and how he has cared and blessed us to see another year, leading up to the Holy Convocation of 1970.

1st Sunday Elder Faust brought two great messages from Isaiah 42:6 morning and evening which was from St. John 3:14. "Look and Live" was his theme.

2nd Sunday was youth day. The Youth Day missionary Connie Christie brought the morning message from St. John 3:16, the evening message was brought by Evangelist Minnie Miller from Lufkin, Texas from the book of 1st Peter and Eph. 1:4-5, Be Holy, she gave many beautiful thoughts long to be remembered.

Missionary day Sister Dorothy Fisher and Mary Haynes brought the message. Choir No. 2 celebrated their 8th anniversary under the leadership of Sister Betty Reed, on September 30, 1970. Elder Johnson was the speaker. Many thoughts were given to encourage choir members to keep singing for the Lord.

Choir No. 1 celebrated their anniversary on October 27. Many choirs came and helped both choirs celebrate.

Pray for us that we ever do the will of God.

Elder W. F. Faust Pastor
Sister Nettie Durham
Reporter

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AVON PARK, FLORIDA

Many, O Lord my God are thy wonderful works which thou hast done. And thy thoughts which are to us ward: They cannot be reckoned up in order unto thee, if I would declare and speak of them, they are more than can be numbered. Psalms 40:5.

We the pastor and Saints of the Antioch Temple Church of God in Christ, Avon Park, Florida bring you Holy greetings in the name of Jesus our soon coming King. We are gaining higher heights, and deeper depths in the Lord under the leadership of our pastor and Superintendent Elder Clarence Black. The Lord is blessing us right now, Amen. Our Sunday School is increasing with leaps and bounds.

We do thank the Lord for our teenagers, how they are holding the banner in our Sunday School offering, they are working as never before. We thank the Lord for our youth. May God forever bless them.

The Lord is good to us, and worthy to be praised. We thank him for his many blessings, we are also thanking him for the great rally we had for the remodeling of our Church. He blessed us tremendously, Thank You Jesus.

We truly have a man of God who is able to pray to God, and he will hear Amen...Our pastor's wife is gaining strength day by day, a mother in Zion. Tells us what thus says the Lord. May God forever Bless her.

Our pastor is preaching as never before under the power of God. Praying for the sick and they are healed. Rise, shine and give God the Glory, pray for our strength in the Lord.

Sis. Sara Nelson, Reporter

Mrs. Mary Kerner, Asst. Reporter

Elder Clarence Black, Pastor

Glen Cove, L.I.;
N.Y.

Greetings Saints:

In all thy ways acknowledge him and he shall direct thy paths. Proverbs 3:16.

Before departing for Memphis, Tennessee to attend the Sixty-Third Annual Holy Convocation, Superintendent Pettus left this message with us: "Let your light shine so that men may see your good works. To acknowledge God we must trust him with all our hearts. His ways are as far from ours as the heaven is from the earth. When prayer was taken out of the schools, it was the same as pushing God out of the schools and we've had trouble every since. The teachers are afraid of the students, they're burning down schools, rioting, revolting against authority and doing as they please.

To restore order, put God back in the schools, He is the author of peace. They're talking about black-power and white-power, but we need red-power (under the blood of Jesus). Train up a child in the way it should go, have a family prayer and teach him the meaning of living for Christ. The parents failure to do this, is the reason for much of the trouble in our homes and society today.

Men and women have become so high minded that they fail to see the need for Christ; and yet we need him in all walks of life. We must pray and live right before our children. We cannot over emphasize the need for parents to be an example before their children at all times. If we ask the Lord to save us he can, if we ask him to forgive us he will and yet we make excuses for not accepting Christ and doing wrong.

The Lord is a strength giver, I need strength to love my enemies. This is my prayer: "let's go back to the old land mark, put prayer back in the schools and let's go back to praying in our homes. If we acknowledge Christ "we'll do it like he says."

Superintendent Pettus instructed his Elders, Ministers and Missionaries to conduct a revival during the two weeks of his absence. Each night the saints were greatly benefited by the word of God. Thursday night before the close of the revival our Missionary Gibson taught a dynamic message "The Power of God". The presence of the Lord was manifested through the saints who were shouting, dancing and speaking in other tongues.

Meanwhile; Our Sis. Sarah Aiken, was sitting in the church dining room, her left arm had lost all feeling and to lift it she had to raise it with her right hand. While listening so intently to the message, she momentarily forgot her affliction and when the Lord quickened her, she gave event to the spirit. Suddenly, she realized that her left arm was raised high above her head. What ever her condition had been, she was completely delivered. The presence of the Lord was so great, that we knew our pastor was praying.

On his return home the Pastor's Aid gave their annual welcoming home dinner in his honor.

Pastor: Superintendent
Jasper Pettus
South Shore District
Eastern Long Island

Reporter: Bro. William Borum

FORT WORTH TEXAS

Holy greetings to all the saints of the Lord. We are thanking God for his many blessings that we are now enjoying. About two weeks ago the Lord blessed us to purchase a beautiful little church completely furnished. All we had to do was to go in and have service.

Included in the furnishing was a piano, organ, pews, pulpit, drums carpeted floors. We also have three class rooms and a baptistery, it is the only intergrated church in the city. The former minister and his congregation choose to remain with us. It is heart warming to see the white and black go forth in the dance together. In the short time we have been there, a deacon from the baptist church in our worship certainly we are blessed of the Lord.

We are desiring your prayers that the Lord will continue to bless us to do a worthwhile work in his vineyard and that we will win 15 Holy Ghost filled members from now to 1971.

We are godly proud of the old fashion altar in our Edifice. God is good.

Yours in the Lord's Service
Elder R.L. Macklin
941 Marion Avenue
Forth Worth, Texas

BERKELEY, CALIFORNIA

"I will bless the Lord at all times: His praise shall continually be in my mouth. My soul shall make her boast in the Lord. Psa. 34:1-2.

Holy greetings to the saints everywhere form Ephesian-COGIC, 1709 Alcatraz Ave., Berkeley, Calif., Bishop E.E. Cleveland, Pastor.

In response to her instructor's request for a class term paper, and in keeping with the Thanksgiving season, one of our young women who attends college was led to write about "Gods Blessings." In doing so, she used this means to witness to the entire class. I would like to share parts of her essay with you.

As we come to the end of another year, it is profitable as well as refreshing to pause and give thanks to God for His many blessing. We should thank God everyday. Each day is a new day that has not been before and brings with it new challenges and new experiences. It is good, though, to have a special day of Thanksgiving.

As the whole family gathers together, there may be an empty chair at the table. Some one is missed this year-maybe killed in Vietnam or died in the hospital. But we can thank God that we

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were not the one, that we were left. Why were we left behind? to let Jesus come into our hearts and have His way in our life. For one day, our chair will be empty at the table also. It is appointed unto man to die, but after death judgement. So now, while we're living, is the time to get ready to die.

Thanksgiving originated in our country when the pilgrims, through their many hardships in an new country, finally raised a good crop and joined together to give thanks to God. When Jesus cleansed the 10 lepers, only 1 returned to give Glory to God. When we do good for people, we want them to appreciate us; how much more so God. God maketh His sun to rise on the evil and on the good and sendeth rain on the just and unjust. But there is coming an end to His mercy. When one is appreciated, he is inspired to do more. When we thank God the more in our hearts, we are in the attitude to receive God's choicest blessing. God has already given us His word. His only begotten Son. All we have to do is believe His word. He that spared not His own Son, But delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not with Him also freely give us all things?

Thanksgiving can last all during the year when we are thankful to God in our hearts.

By Sis. Cristabelle Marks

We've certainly been blessed with a showers of weddings at Ephesian. Two of our most recent brides are Sis. Ruby Lloyd, who had a lovely wedding at Thanksgiving-time and our own choir directress Sis Eddie Williams at Christmas-time.

Pray for us.

Bishop E.E. Cleveland—Pastor
Elder Joe King, Ass't Pastor Sis.
Marcella Scruggs—Reporter

TITHES

The practice of paying tithes is very ancient you will find in Genesis 14:20 that Abraham gave tithes to Melchisdic after his return from an expedition Abraham gave him the tithes of the booty, taken from the enemy. Jacob imitated the practice of his grandfather under the law, Moses ordained, Leviticus 27:30-34. "And all the tithe of the land or of the fruit of the tree, is the Lord's it is holy unto the Lord. And if a man will at all redeem ought of his tithes, he shall add thereto the fifth part thereof. And concerning the tithe of the herd, or of the flock even of whatsoever passeth under the rod, the tenth shall be holy unto the Lord. He shall not search whether it be good or bad neither shall be change it; and if he change it at all, then both it, and the change thereof shall be holy; it shall not be redeemed. These are the commandments, which the Lord commanded Moses for the children of Israel in mount Sinai.

There were the three thoughts of

tithes, read Numbers 18:22-28. We find the Lord said to Moses, I have given the children of Levi all the tenth in In Israel for an inheritance for their service which they should serve even the service of the tabernacle of the congregation.

First to the Levites for the service which they served second for the Lord's feast and sacrifice, and for the keeping of the place, in which the Lord choose to put His name thereto wit, where the ark should be, the tabernacle or temple. This tenth part was either sent to Jerusalem in tithes or if it was to far they sent the value in money, which was to be laid out for whatsoever their soul desired. Deut. 14:21-27.

Beside these two there was to be every third year a tithe for the poor, the stranger, the fatherless and the widow, within their dwelling. Deut. 14:4: 28-29.

In the new testament Jesus nor his apostles have commanded anything concering tithes in a direct way. The apostle Paul did say in Cor. 9: "That they which minister about holy things live of the things of the Temple, which was tithes and offerings.

In Numbers 18:21-28. God declared that He had given the tenth in Israel to the Levites for their salaries or service in the tabernacle.

When we came to the time of Nehemiah, the tenth chapter verse 32, we find that was a great crisis in the kingdom, in the way of needing things for caring on the regular services in the tabernacle. We find in Neh. 10:32 the people charged themselves with one-third of a shekel, which was about twenty-two cents in our money to take care of these necessities. But they did not involve the tithes in this crisis because they had been given to the Levites. In Nehemiah 10:38-39 we read. "And the priest the son of Aaron shall be with the Levites, when the Levites take tithes and the Levites shall bring us the tithes of the tithes unto the house of our God, to the chambers into the treasure house.

For the children of Israel and the children of Levi shall bring the offering of corn of the new wine and the oil unto the chambers where are the vessels of the sanctuary, and the priests that minister and the porters and the singers: And we will not forsake the house of the Lord."

May we as the Church of God in Christ, continue to stay with the Bible in all legislation that we continue to be blessed of the Lord.

Elder John D. Ware
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DISCIPLINE

By Sister Flora Blanchard
Norfolk Va.

Discipline is everything that is done to help regulate a child's behavior. This includes teaching, counseling, supervision, praise and punishment. The major responsibility of discipline rests upon the home but the school, the church and other community agencies feel obligated to help children in their development. Discipline involves setting up definite standards and helping the child judge his own behavior by these standards.

The effective type of discipline that a parent may use may largely depend on the parent's understanding of child development and the sincere answer that he gives to the question. What kind of adult do I want my child to be? No one puts corn and beans together and expects cake nor does he put cake ingredients together and expect succotash. The parent who truly wants his child to be a Christian, God-fearing, peacable citizen will certainly use all the skill, knowledge and help available to teach worthwhile values to his child.

Studies show that parents fall into three categories: The Permissive, the extremely strict and the moderately tempered. The permissive, one who almost never says no, may set up standards but the child soon realizes he can ignore them. These children often feel unloved. A television story a few months ago portrayed a wealthy girl who had committed several burglaries. When she was finally confronted by the police and her father, she said "I wanted my father to love me. He never refused me anything. I had to do something to get his attention. I wanted him just once to say, "No."

The extremely strict parent is not flexible enough. He is not concerned about the characteristics of children nor the situation at hand. This parent says "No" and almost nothing changes his "No". Children who have parents that fall in this class, usually obey like robots and are motivated by fear. Many of them become frustrated or withdrawn while others may become extremely disobedient and rebellious.

The moderately tempered parent will usually have the best behaved children. This parent knows the three zones of discipline and helps his child become aware of them. The green zone-my parents will allow me to do this. The red zone-my parents will not allow me to do this. The yellow zone-maybe yes or maybe no. In this zone the situation, time or other factors may determine the answer.

Love is the most important ingredient in discipline. It is a spiritual value and is full of kindness, gentleness, goodness and longsuffering. Hugs and kisses or even gifts that are not given in love are simply empty motions. Frequently the child's

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DISCIPLINE

behavior will improve when he feels that parental discipline reflects love and concern for his best interest. Love should be

constant even when the child's conduct is obnoxious. Romans 5:8 "But God commendeth his love toward us, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us."

Guiding children implies short and long range goals. What the parent does today may shape what the child will do tomorrow. It is possible to achieve short range goal such as obedience and lose a long range one such as self-reliance. Short range goals are only stepping stones to long range ones.

What are the parents chief objectives? The most important thing that the parent could teach the child is to love and reverence God and accept Jesus as his savior. Next, is to help the child adjust to the complex business of living in a complex world. He must help the child discover meaning and purpose in living and find ways of expressing this meaning and purpose. He must teach the child to face problems of life with confidence and determination. He must help the child to develop the ability to withstand frustrations and the strength for self-control.

Living with others sometimes requires a sacrifice of some part of one's sense of self. But it also provides a condition for fulfilling that self. The child must overcome selfishness because beyond him there is a larger world than his and he, too, may make a contribution for the common good.

Different situations, different children call for different methods of discipline. One effective approach is to make a straight forward appeal to the child's values. To a large extent the child gets his sense of values from the parent. Many parents claim to scorn power, position and prestige, when in reality, they don't. It is best for the parent to admit that he prizes these as well as other material values than to be hypocritical. Children are not easily fooled. If the parent wants his child to be considerate and also skillfully competitive, to be obedient and also self-assertive, he should show him that he values all of these traits. The best discipline comes from the parent who really knows himself.

Another approach is that the parent join the child and help with the problem so that together they can find a solution.

Some Do's and Don't in discipline.

1. Invite the child's confidence, don't demand it.
2. Set the proper example. The parent should practice what he wants his child to practice. He should be sure his child can walk in his footsteps without stumbling or sinking.
3. The parent should see his child as others see him and as he

sees other people's children

4. Let the child find his own level and don't try to force him to do what he is incapable of doing.

5. Don't compare him with other children. He is a unique individual and should be treated as such.

6. Don't try to bring to pass your unfulfilled dreams through the child. He may not want to be a doctor. He may rather be a carpenter. It is better to be a good repairer of buildings than a poor repairer of bodies.

Wouldn't it be wonderful if there was a recipe for rearing children? But there are no formulas-no hard and fast rules. There are goals. The parent is to provide the knowledge, supervision, help, standards, love and whatever pressure is needed to reach these goals. If he can accomplish this with the grace of God, he can help his child have a more fuller life here and life everlasting in the world to come.

COLUMBUS, OHIO

Greetings to the saints everywhere.

"Trust in the Lord, and do good; so shalt thou dwell in the land, and verily thou shalt be fed." Psa 37:3.

The Lord is truly blessing us here at Meredith Temple. Elder Douglas Meredith, Pastor. The spirit of the Lord is great here in our midst.

The Lord really did bless on December 20, 1970, in that we the members had an appreciation day for our minister of music (Brother Berdies Davis) A young man that is devoted to God and the church. We were able to be a financial blessing to him. We just wanted him to know that we appreciated his service that had been rendered down through the years. We thank God for young men like Brother Davis and may God bless all.

Come and go with us and the Lord will do you good. Pray for us.

Elder Douglas Meredith—Pastor

Elder Hezekiah Meredith —Asst



BISHOP L.C. PAGE

I want the Lord to use me greater in my latter days than he did in my earlier days. I am sending out 100,000 full size handkerchiefs in 1971.

The Whole Truth

Read Acts 19:11-12, write me at 1716 Victoria Ave. Los Angeles, Calif.

PASCO, WASHINGTON

"In all thy ways acknowledge Him, and he shall direct thy paths." Proverbs 3:6.

The pastor and saints of Trinity Church of God in Christ greet all Whole Truth readers in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. We thank God for his goodness to us, blessing us to report victory over sin and shame. Our pastor, Supt. L. Nobles is yet leading us, living right and teaching us to do the same. He also is preaching the word of the Lord to us. One message of special interest was "Lord, Examine My Heart." Ps. 26:2, Ps. 17:3 and Zechariah 13:9.

We are grateful for the ministers and Elders too. Among the visitors were Elder Geo. Jackson, Tacoma, Washington. Message entitled "What we Believe," Ps. 19 St. John 2:24-25. Minister James Sumber, Spokane Washington, Message entitled: Have You Met Jesus?" Matt. 1:21, The Farrell Brothers from California. Ass't Supt of Sunday School, State Supt. Blackwell of Tacoma Washington with Minister Joyce of Pasadena, California. Evangelist James of Boise, Idaho, Elder L. Aver, Minister A. Bowens and family of Boise, Idaho. He preached to us from II Cor. 5:17-21. To all of these we say, come again.

As a tributary to the main stream of our pastor's anniversary our Sunday School Supt. Sister E. Catlin sponsored a Sunday School King and Queen Baby contest. The king of our Sunday School is King Joe Catlin II. Our Queen is Queen Nikkyle Cherie Walker. The contest was a huge success. The results of the contest came to the amount of \$510.45.

For the same purpose our Sunshine Band sponsored their Annual contest for a "Mr or Miss" Sunshine. Our 1970 Mr. Sunshine, Nathaniel Miles gave away his honor for the winner, our 1971 "Miss" Sunshine, Miss Rhonda Merlene Rambo. The results was approximately \$100.00 Missionary C.M. Nobles is our local president.

We are grateful to the Lord for our young sister in the Lord, Sister Mamie James, one whom the Lord wonderfully filled with the Holy Ghost. She has a mind to work. One of the projects she has worked in the church is a "Can" that her husband kindly labeled for her. This can she brings is placed in our Day prayer service to receive donations to help aid the church, pastor and whosoever needs it. One deed done was to license our church bus. We thank God for Sister James and her prayer Service Project. The Lord is pleased with all who have the mind to work and become a doer. We are thankful to have a young deacon, Brother Melvin Nobles who works peacefully with deaconess A. Dorton, They are helpful to the church and pastor.

The Lord blessed our pastor's wife, Missionary Nobles in a prayer service. The scripture for the week was II Chron. 7:14. Monday night "Humble" was

her subject. Tuesday night was "Prayer" and Wednesday night "Seek His Face." Thursday night our pastor preached to us about the little member "Tongue." The spirit gave the words "Save Me." The Lord gave the message. Pray much for us here that the Lord saved such as should be be and add to out fold.

Supt. L.N. Nobles -Pastor

SOUTH BEND, IND.

HAPPY NEW YEARS

Holy Greetings to the saints of God everywhere from the Church of God in Christ Temple.

Truly my soul waiteth upon God: from him cometh my salvation: He is my defense; I shall not be greatly moved. Ps. 62:1-2.

We are truly thankful to God for our pastor and Ass't pastor. Who teaches us true holiness with power. We are yet pressing toward the mark of high calling in Christ Jesus with a determination to let nothing separate us from the love of God. "Praise Him".

We thank God for Minister Hodges a man who is dedicated in the Lord. Truly his soul stirring messages of God are inspiring to our souls. He is a man of God being led of him. The Lord has given our Ass't pastor a great portion of his spirit. The Lord have been dealing with him as never before. He always encourage us to do God's work and to keep this great love among us.

Pray for these two ministers that God will strengthen them to carry on.

Sick List: Brother Y.B. Williams, Mother Carr, Mother Kyle, Mother Freeman and Cora Williams.

We thank the Lord for blessing us spiritually as well as financially in 1970.

I am saying to the saints everywhere, have Faith in God. He will heal at anytime and any place. St Luke 5:17.

Pray for our continued growth. We are looking forward to a greater year in 1971.

Elder E.A. McNeely Pastor
Elder Eulis Wilson Asst Pastor
Sister Mable B. Owen Reporter

PARIS TEXAS

OVERCOMER'S CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST. NO2

Holy greeting to the saints of God everywhere. We are yet pressing on prasing God for his goodness to us.

We just close a ten night meeting conducted by Elder Ernest Dixon of Kansas City, Mo. Oct. 27-Nov. 3. Truly he's a wonderful young man. A wonderful preacher and a great songstress. On each night he preached soul stirring messages. The Lord poured out his blessing upon us. Five backsliders was reclaimed. Some of his messages were "The Lord Is Ps. 23:1-3.

"The Spell Is Over, The Thrill Is Gone" St. Luke 15:11. "Power Of The Saints", Matt. 5:11-16. "I Thought I Didn't Need You But I See I Do, Luke 16:24. "Lord Who Shall Abide"? Ps 15:1, "I must Live Until Morning, Ps.1:5, Making It On Broken Pieces, Act 29:30-42. And many more wonderful messages. The saints were refreshed. Many were healed also our youth choir sang beautiful nightly. We do hope and pray that he'd live long and preach God's word. Elder Dixon left for the Memphis Tenn. Convocation right after service on Nov. 5, our pastor left for Memphis, Tenn. Convocation Nov. 6. We wish them a safe trip. Pray for us.

Pastor. Elder C.H. Pierson
Reporter Sis. Rozella Williams

JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA

Greetings to the saints of God everywhere. We the members of Church of God in Christ No. 4 are thankful and praising the Lord for our great leader and pastor and Supt. of the Jacksonville District. Elder W.F. Faust and his wife Sister Faust. The Lord has blessed us and brought us into the New Year.

While visiting the convocation in Memphis the Lord gave Elder Faust a revival. The first two weeks was led by Missionary Mary Christopher, the last two weeks the pastor had charge, the Lord blessed in a great way, some saved, other revived, the pastor led the revival through the New Year.

The Sunshine Band and the play displaying the Junior Church sponsored a beautiful Christmas play displaying the birth of Jesus, which was enjoyed by all. Each child was given a gift in remembrance of the Christ Child.

Visitors home for Christmas. Cynthia Smith was home to visit her mother and father from New Haven, Connecticut. Freddie Faust the pastor's son was home for a visit. Minister Zanie Hall from Alabama was home for the holidays with his mother and father. Mr. And Mrs. Zanie Hall, Sr. and Mrs. Hazel Jenkins with children drove to New York to visit Mr. and Mrs. Rawulus Cooper.

Mrs. Warnie Washington visited her mother in Columbus, Georgia. Mrs. Ruby Stewart and husband is visiting in Miami, Florida.

Pray for us that we ever do the will of God.

Elder W.F. Faust—pastor Sister N. Durham—reporter

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PENTECOSTAL FAMILY

Even as Moses sent the priests into the Tabernacle for seven days of separation and consecration, Christ sent the first believers into the Upper Room for what would be ten days of consecration and prayer.

Pentecost had derived its date and meaning from the Passover celebration, which preceded it by fifty days. The crucifixion and resurrection of Christ, during the time of the Passover celebration, had caused Pentecost to have an altogether new meaning for believers. And, that which they would experience on the day of Pentecost, would not only proceed from this new experience on the day of Pentecost, but it would cause the day of Pentecost itself to have a new and inconceivably significant meaning.

"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost..." (Acts 2:1-4).

This fire was the outward symbol of the indwelling of the Holy Ghost, and we may affirm-The Pentecostal Fire: It shall never Go Out! To me these words present a prediction, and analysis, a resolution and a prescription.

I PREDICTION

God Himself predicts and assures us that the Pentecostal Fire shall never go out. Jesus Christ, His Son, assures us that this promise is true. In Joel 2:28, 29 God promises to kindle the Pentecostal Fire. "And it shall come to pass afterward, that I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh; and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions: And also upon the

servants and upon the handmaids in those days will I pour out my spirit."

John the Baptist was inspired to prophesy that one was coming who would "baptize with the Holy Ghost, and with fire" (Matthew 3:11).

Time and time again Jesus predicted and promised the Holy Ghost not only as a momentary experience, but also as a constant and abiding friend throughout life. He said, "And behold, I will send the promise of my father..." (Luke 24:49), and "I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you forever," (John 14:16). And he further stated: "But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you..." (Acts 1:8).

In answer to those who would affirm that the Holy Ghost was only for the Apostles, or for the first believers, or that it was given only on the day of Pentecost; God said through Peter: "For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call" (Acts 2:39).

The Apostle Paul informs us that the fire of the Holy Ghost will burn even until the day of redemption. "...after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise, Which is the earnest of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession..." (Ephesians 1:13,14). Thus God and Jesus Christ assure us that the Holy Ghost shall abide with us forever and the fire shall never go out.

But before moving on, let me warn you that we must not become complacent and overly confident. For there are those who believe that the fire will still burn even though their hearts are full of sin. They feel that the fire will still burn even though they have no concern and no compassion for their fellowman. They feel that the fire will still burn even though their hearts are filled with racism and prejudice. Yes, God's fire will

burn; but it can burn also on altars other than ours. And, if we prove ourselves unworthy, then God will move the fire of His presence to those who will completely surrender to His will, and who will love and fellowship all whom He loves.

But we still have God's faithful promise that the Pentecostal Fire shall never go out!

II ANALYSIS

The words of our subject present to us an analysis. For a careful study of "Pentecostal Fire" reveals that it contains all of the elements necessary for its survival. As we analyze its vitality we find that after nineteen hundred years it is still burning brightly and spreading rapidly. No continent has been untouched by its flame and hundreds more are baptized with the Spirit each day.

When we analyze its purpose and its fulfillment of that purpose, we find that the Holy Ghost was sent by God that the believer might be equipped to do the things which God through Christ had commanded. The Holy Ghost was sent that believers might have access to the power of God as they sought to do His will. A Holy Ghost baptism caused a fearful and doubting Peter to become a powerful evangelist, who with one message brought three thousand to Christ. A Holy Ghost baptism made a band of unlearned men of lowly vocations become enthusiastic and able representatives of the Gospel.

Even today, those who are filled with the Spirit cast out devils and heal the sick; they experience great miracles, and are led by the Spirit. Therefore, we must conclude that the Spirit's Mission is well performed.

When we analyze who it is that sends Pentecostal Fire, and who Pentecostal Fire represents; then we must conclude that the Fire shall never go out! For it is sent from God and it represents the eternal Third Person of the Trinity, who abideth with us forever. Since the Holy Ghost, is God and possesses all of the attributes of God; then the Holy Ghost, the executor of the

Trinity, shall continue His work and His flame shall ever burn.

III A RESOLUTION

The words of our subject also present a resolution that the fire shall never go out; that we must always seek to be filled with the Spirit; encourage others to receive it, and strive to walk in the Spirit each day.

Nadab and Abihu were destroyed when they ignored the "fire from before the Lord" and kindled their own "strange fire". And today many are kindling strange fires. They are kindling the fire of emotionalism and claiming that emotional arousal is spiritual power. They are kindling the "strange fire" of intellectualism and seeking to enhance the fire of the Spirit by doing so. We must resolve not to offer "strange fire", but to keep the Pentecostal Fire burning in our hearts.

To keep it burning we must be humble. "For pride goeth before destruction, and a haughty spirit before a fall" (Proverbs 16:18). We must be Holy! Too many bring disgrace on our profession by their unholy and immoral behaviour." let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God" (II Corinthians 7:1). To keep the fire burning we must pray. For the Bible says, "that men ought always to pray, and not to faint" (Luke 18:1).

"But ye, beloved, building up yourselves on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Ghost," (Jude 20). The believer is built up by praying in the Holy Ghost. Even as fire is the symbol of the Spirit, smoke is the symbol of prayer. Where there is smoke there is fire. And so long as the prayers of the saints are offered up the fire of the Spirit will burn. This theme must be our resolution.

IV A PRESCRIPTION

At last these words present a prescription for our sick and dying world. Our world stands on the brink of one of the darkest periods in its history. Satan, the prince of the world, seems to have reached his most powerful and influential moment.

Nations seem obsessed with the idea of war. The more they speak of peace the more involved they become in bloodshed and violence. Injustice, hatred, riots are on the verge of destroying our cities. Men and women, boys and girls have been fooled into believing that narcotics and immorality are the roads to peace and happiness. People of all ages are finding themselves obsessed by the yearning for narcotics. Nothing in life has meaning for them but drugs. Others are bound in a web of immorality. Pornography, perversion and sexual freedom seem to be the themes of our day. Love, faithfulness and marriage are thought by many to be obsolete.

Our world seems to have rushed to the hogpen of sin and seems determined to eat the husks of unrighteousness.

Is there any hope? Is there a balm in Gilead? Is there a prescription for the disease of our world? Yes, there is—"Pentecostal Fire: It Shall never go out"!

We are in a battle, "...not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places" (Ephesians 6:12). If we go forth in our own strength we will quickly be destroyed. Many Christian churches have allowed the fire to go out. They have launched poverty plans, educational programs and have built great organizations. But they do not preach Christ as a Saviour from sin, or present the Holy Ghost as a baptizer and power-giver.

But Jesus Christ is the only hope of the world. By His death and suffering He delivered those who believed from the power, guilt and the condemnation of sin. Only Christ can sanctify, cleanse and give peace and happiness. Only Christ has the answer to the world's problems. And only through the anointing of the Holy Ghost can we present Christ effectively. The Apostle Paul said to the Corinthains: "For I determined not to know anything among you, save Jesus Christ, and him crucified" (I Corinthians 2:2). "And my speech and my preaching was not with enticing words of man's wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power" (I Corinthians 2:4). "But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth" (Acts 1:8).

Let us keep the fire burning until we are moved to action. Jeremiah determined that he would no longer speak to sinful men about God. "Then I said, I will not make mention of him, nor speak any more in his name. But his word was in mine heart as a burning fire shut up in my bones, and I was weary with forebearing, and I could not stay" (Jeremiah 20:9). The fire burned and he had to speak.

Let's keep the fire burning until we can say with Isaiah: "...Here am I; send Me" (Isaiah 6:8). Let us keep it burning until we light the world with the fire of His presence; until every city is a new Jerusalem until house is a House of Prayer; until every road is a Highway of Holiness; until every sinner has heard the Good News. Let us keep it burning until we have dispersed the darkness of sin and wickedness; until we can say: "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith" (II Timothy 4:7). Let us keep the fire burning until we hear God's voice saying: "...Well done, thou good and faithful servant:...enter thou into the joy of thy Lord" (Matthew 25:21).

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